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Hongkong, 10th October, 1896. [53]

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Thoroughly reliable preservative for Wood and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungus Rot and Damppness.

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JAPAN, &c.	Adams	R. E. L. Hill, R.N.R.	About 30th Oct.	(Passing through the Inland Sea)
SHANGHAI	Ravena	E. Street	About 1st Nov.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	Ceylon	J. R. London, R.N.R.	About 2nd Nov.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	Madras	E. G. Andrews	Noon, 5th Nov.	[See Special Advertisement]
JAPAN	Verona	C. H. S. Tocque, R.N.R.	Noon, 6th Nov.	(Passing through the Inland Sea.)
LONDON	Mandla	R. L. Haddock, R.N.R.	About 12th Nov.	Freight or Passage.
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Hongkong, 23rd October, 1896. [464]

W. POWELL & CO.

NEW STOCK OF

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S MANTLES AND JACKETS.

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Hongkong, 17th October, 1896. [1004]

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Hongkong, 10th October, 1896. [39]

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1896. [46]

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LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

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Hongkong, 24th September, 1896. [773]

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In cases of a dozen bottles.....\$35 per case.

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Hongkong, 25th June, 1896. [1005]

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NEW WIRE WOVEN ROOFING CO.

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GEIPEL'S STEAM TRAP.

LEWIS BERGER & SONS, LIMITED, PAINT MANUFACTURERS.

TURTON BROS. & MATHEWS STEEL GOODS.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1896. [39]

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FANCY VESTINGS, TATTERSALLS and others.

Hongkong, 21st October, 1896.

REUTER'S MESSAGE.

TRAFAELGAR DAY.

ENTHUSIASTIC CELEBRATION IN
LONDON.

THE AWAKENING OF GREAT BRITAIN TO THE
IMPORTANCE OF THE NAVY.

London, October 21st.

Trafalgar Day was to-day generally celebrated in London under the auspices of the Navy League. Nelson's Column in Trafalgar Square was entwined by a colossal wreath from top to bottom.

Great crowds were present in the Square and patriotic speeches were made.

Mr. Goschen declined to lead a guard of honour of marines and bluejackets.

The papers all concur in the opinion that the demonstration implied nothing hostile to foreign nations, but only the awakening of Great Britain to the importance of the Navy.

The popularity of the Hall of Mysteries seems to be well maintained, and as the performances have hitherto commenced too late for the "small fry" to attend the management have arranged to give a matinée on Saturday, 24th inst., commencing at 3.15 p.m. This is just the kind of show to amuse the little ones.

The rumour that Dr. Jameson is to marry the Dowager Countess of Dudley, daughter of Sir Thomas Morelles and widow of the first Earl of Dudley, who died in 1885, is revived by the frequent visits which the Countess has lately been paying to the prisoner in Holloway Gaol and by her interest in his trial.

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THE fact that Japan possesses in the *Yoshino* the fastest cruiser but one afloat seems to have escaped notice. The Argentine cruiser *Buenos Ayres* is the only ship of her power that could overhaul her, the speeds being *Yoshino* 23 and *Buenos Ayres* 23 knots. The *Powder* and *Terrible*, our fastest cruisers, can only steam 22 knots, so that, in the event of complications arising with Japan, we should have nothing to send against this cruiser were she detached from the main fleet as a commerce-destroyer.

The mere attendance at the meeting of the Navy League this afternoon was anything but creditable to the British section of the community.

Of course it was pleasanter to go for a walk, or play tennis, or go for a trip in a launch, or attend a tea-party, but unless very good reasons could be shown for absence it was practically the duty of every member of the League to be present at the first annual meeting.

By their presence the members would have shown that they take an intelligent interest in the naval affairs of the Empire; that the patrolling of the average British has not yet died out; that they can still see a little further than their ledgers, and that they feel grateful to the gentlemen who are working so hard to further the interests of those whose lot is cast in this our island home.

We shall give a full report of the proceedings in our next issue because we wish to put the speeches on record and let the whole world know that the Hongkong branch of the Navy League is what business men term a "going concern."

We find in a native Indian paper, the *Indrapuram*, to wit, some very sensible remarks, about the epidemic in Bombay. It says:—Bubonic plague, or black plague, or a malignant type of fever, or whatever you like to call it, that has taken Bombay by surprise, and spread great consternation among the people everywhere, of another verification of the truth in the adage, "In the midst of life we are in death." The scare that has sprung up from the densely populated part of the town, is Mandvi, and of which the first note was sounded in the last Wednesday's meeting of the Standing Committee, chiefly by two members of that body who ably represent ward on the board of the Corporation, has spread like wildfire and the different communities residing in "Bombay the Beautiful" (the appellation sounds rather harsh at this time of day) have become quite panic stricken. As it were, a bolt has come from the blue in our midst in the form of this latest threat to the lives of the citizens, a threat which the superstitious and the philosophic may well reckon as a divine punishment for the filth of those sins against purity, sanitation, and public health which has come to overflowing in this charming island of ours. It is a contagious type of disease that is undeniable. And any contagion is awe-inspiring, for it loses no time in spreading over and catching other wards and parts with disastrous result. Even if it is a disease peculiar to the condition of Mandvi district alone, no effort should be spared to check its further growth. It has already passed its sporadic character, hence the more necessity for very vigilant action. What is the Corporation doing? It ought not to have waited till its coming monthly meeting in the first week of October. It ought to have called a meeting of urgency, and then, in conjunction with the Health Officer and Drainage Engineers, take steps to once meet the evil half way. The sanitary condition of Mandvi has never looked satisfactory. It is a standing reproach to the Corporation and the Municipality of Bombay, and now is the time to do heartily what has been so foolishly and thoughtlessly left undone, and leave the rest to nature. Nature is whimsical no doubt. She allows even sanitary wrongs for a time to pass unheeded, and then she comes down deliberately and defiantly to avenge with terrible vengeance the sin of omission and commission. The present malady may be a blessing in disguise. The present may come about to open our eyes and push us on to drastic and active measures of reforms. So now is the time to strike blows here, there, and everywhere to remove insulation or defective sanitation, which is the first and the most fruitful source of all the diseases which man is unhappy to be to.

THE new mosque of the Hongkong Regiment was opened at noon to-day in the presence of the Officers' and men of the regiment. The band played Indian airs during the ceremony. This mosque, which makes one of the prettiest views in Kowloon, has been built entirely by subscriptions raised from the men of the regiment. It faces east and is built round a court-yard, forming three sides of a square. The view from the road running by the Officer's Mess is exceedingly picturesque, and we must congratulate "Our Very Own" on their new acquisition.

At the Police Court this morning a coolie was charged with creating a disturbance in Messrs. Robinson & Co.'s shop. He had been arrested on a charge of wilfully smashing a window, but he was discharged for want of evidence. He then went to the shop and demanded \$3 which he said was owing to him for wages, having been discharged from Messrs. Robinson & Co.'s employ. He looked very fierce and made a great noise so a policeman was called in to remove the nuisance. The prisoner was bound over to be of good behaviour—for ever and ever.

On the 8th instant Lord Rosebery addressed a letter to the Liberal Whip resigning the leadership of his party. In this letter he says:—"I

find myself in apparent difference with the mass of the Liberals on the Eastern Question, and in some conflict of opinion with Mr. Gladstone, and receive implicit support scarcely anywhere." The resignation of Lord Rosebery is generally ascribed to Mr. Gladstone's intervention in the Armenian question and Sir Wm. Harcourt's persistent ignorance of Lord Rosebery's existence.

THE PLAGUE IN BOMBAY.

SIMLA, October 2nd.

The plague now raging in Bombay has been officially declared as the *bubonic* plague, though not of the severest nature. It is believed here that quarantine will be declared in Bombay, and the mails will in future go via Karachi.

OFFICIAL REPORT.

LONDON, October 3rd.

The Government has received a telegram from the Viceroy of India, stating that true bubonic plague of mild type exists in the Maudlin quarter of Bombay, and that about eleven deaths from it are daily taking place.

In spite of the above, the homeward mail which left Bombay to-day was granted a clean bill of health by the Port Health Officer.

RIGOROUS QUARANTINE.

SIMLA, October 7th.

"Quarantine has been declared at Aden. Steamers carrying qualified medical officers with no case of bubonic plague on board will be granted *quarantine*; steamers without medical officer from infected ports will be quarantined 8 days; any steamer with a case on board will suffer 15 days' detention. These rules were in force during the Hongkong plague outbreak and apparently they will be adopted in Egyptian ports, where quarantine has also been declared.

Rigorous quarantine of Bombay steamers is enforced at Colombo and Busra.

BOMBAY, October 8th.

Egyptian imposed quarantine on Bombay arrivals.

LONDON, October 4th.

Owing to the plague raging at Bombay arrivals from that and any other infected Indian ports will be placed in quarantine at Naples.

THE DEATH ROLL.

The following figures re the epidemic are as follows from Bombay:—

2nd October 21 seizures and 15 deaths.

3rd " 33 " 15 "

4th " 22 " 10 "

5th " 16 " 12 "

6th " 16 " 18 "

Deaths are therefore nearly 50 per cent. of the seizures.

BOMBAY, October 8th.

There were ninety-seven seizures and seventy-six deaths from the bubonic plague in Bombay since the 2nd instant. Several cases have occurred at Ahmedabad. The heat in Bombay continues intense.

TO-DAY.—23rd October.

Tenders for renewals and repairs to the British barque *West York*, will be received at Messrs. Dodwell, Carrill & Co.'s office to-morrow.

2.30 p.m.—Performance in the Hall of Mysteries, Duddell Street.

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9 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Chapter.

MEMORANDA.

TO-DAY.—23rd October.

An Interim Dividend of 4 per cent. on shares of the Wan Chai Warehouse and Storage Co., Ltd., will be paid to-day.

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NAVAL NOTES.

The *Aldarby*, with Admiral Sir A. Boller on board, is due at Shanghai to-morrow.

H.M.S. *Archon* is now at Chefoo, and the "flying Dutchman," otherwise H.M.S. *Zet*, is at Shanghai. There is no truth in the rumour that Admiral Boller is thinking of shifting his flag to the *Zet*. The *Centurion* has been found to be quite suitable for a flagship.

The storeship *Humber*, the battleship *Centurion*, the gunboat *Rattler*, the cruiser *Ascidia* and the gunboat *Firebrand* are in Japanese waters—the first three at Nagasaki and the latter at Yokohama and Kobe respectively.

H.M.S. *Immortalis* and *Peacock* are at Chemulpo, Korea.

H.M.S. *Sentinel* is still undergoing repairs at Nagasaki.

The weight of projectiles thrown by the "end-on" guns of the three new United States battleships, mentioned in last night's issue, amounts to no less than 3,420 lbs., or 1,000 lbs. more than is thrown by the whole of the heavy guns of the *Centurion*. These figures alone show the tremendous power of the ships as compared with our own or those of other nations.

NAVY LEAGUE.

The first annual meeting of the Hongkong branch of the Navy League was held in the City Hall at 5 o'clock this afternoon. Mr. A. Coxon (President) presided and there were also present Mr. Ganthom Stewart, Comdr. W. C. H. Hastings, R.N., F. Marshall (Committee) and Captain G. C. Anderson, Messrs. H. N. Moody, Granville Sharp, N. J. Ede, McGregor, Forbes, A. McConachie and two others.

Before asking the members to pass the report, which was taken as read, the Chairman gave a most interesting and most satisfactory account of the work done during the year. He stated that a voluminous correspondence (which is open to the inspection of all members) has been carried on with the Executive Committee of the League in London; that an elaborate and carefully prepared statistical table, drawn up by Captain Hastings, showing up to £1,100,000 worth of British shipping is daily afloat between Singapore and Hongkong and so open to serious injury by an enemy's fleet; that the attention of the Executive Committee has been called to the fact that Naval Reserve officers and men should be allowed to return service in any part of Her Majesty's dominions; that this branch of the League has made special representations to the parent League respecting the desirability of extending our frontiers over the neighbouring islands; that correspondence has been carried on with the Liverpool and other branches of the League endorsing the views of Lord Charles Beresford respecting the necessity for manning our fleet properly and having a much larger Reserve than at present, and he wound up by expressing his forcible language, the patriotic objects of the League. He also stated, amidst applause, that on Trafalgar Day the local Committee wired to the London Committee that "the Hongkong Branch unites in honouring the day."

Owing to the late hour (6.10 p.m.) at which the meeting adjourned we are compelled to hold over a full report, which includes interesting speeches by Captain Anderson and Mr. Granville Sharp. It should be mentioned, however, that the Hon. H. E. Pollock was elected Vice-Secretary, vice Mr. E. W. Mitchell, who has resigned; that the Committee was re-elected with the addition of Mr. Pollock's name as a member, and that a very hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman and the Committee was carried by acclamation.

THE REPORT.

The following is the report of the Hongkong Branch of the Navy League for the year ending 20th September, 1895, that was taken as read:—

At a meeting of the China Association (Hongkong Branch) held on the 22nd August, 1895, it was unanimously agreed to form a branch of the Navy League in Hongkong, and all the members of the China Association present signified their intention of joining it.

On the 12th September following, 54 members having been enrolled, a meeting was held to form a Committee and the following gentlemen were elected:—Mr. R. Cooke, Mr. A. Coxon, Mr. J. Francis, Q.C., Mr. W. C. H. Hastings, R.N., Mr. A. M. Marshall, Mr. E. W. Mitchell, Mr. R. Shaw, Mr. G. Stewart, and Captain A. Tillett, R.N.R.

This Committee appointed Mr. Atwell Coxon as President, and Mr. E. W. Mitchell Honorary Secretary for the year. There are at date 86 Members and 22 Associates on the books of this Branch. The accounts have been kindly audited by Mr. L. Kennard Davis.

ATWELL COXON,
President.

Hongkong, 20th September, 1895.

THE BALANCE SHEET.

In Account with the Honorary Secretary.

1895/96 Dr.

To remittance to London.....\$275.37

" stationery.....120.15

" advertising.....36.50

" Edgar relief fund.....50.00

" subscription to Trafalgar day calendar.....

" fund.....46.85

" Postage and pteys.....26.40

" Balance with Hongkong and Shanghai bank.....312.60

1895/96 Cr.

By subscriptions from 86 members.....\$823.06

" subscriptions from 22 associates.....44.00

1895/96 \$867.96

E. & O. E. E. W. MITCHELL,
Hon. Secretary.

Audited and found correct,

L. KENNARD DAVIS.

Hongkong, 20th September, 1895.

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